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GROWTH

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED SEPTEMBER 1, 2000

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed September 1, 2000. Applicant elects without traverse claims of Group I, claims 1-8, reserving the right to prosecute other groups in continuing applications.

No fees are believed due at this time, however, please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to deposit account number 10-0435 with reference to our attorney docket number (21416-90042)

Respectfully submitted,

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